

SEC. 810. PROCUREMENT NOTICE OF CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS.

(a) **PUBLICATION BY ELECTRONIC MEANS-** Subsection (a) of section 18 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 416) is amended--

(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking `furnish for publication by the Secretary of Commerce' and inserting `publish';

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

`(2)(A) A notice of solicitation required to be published under paragraph (1) may be published--

`(i) by electronic means that meets the requirements for accessibility under paragraph (7); or

`(ii) by the Secretary of Commerce in the Commerce Business Daily.

`(B) The Secretary of Commerce shall promptly publish in the Commerce Business Daily each notice or announcement received under this subsection for publication by that means.'; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

`(7) A publication of a notice of solicitation by electronic means meets the requirements for accessibility under this paragraph if the notice is electronically accessible in a form that allows convenient and universal user access through the single Government-wide point of entry designated in the Federal Acquisition Regulation.'

(b) **WAITING PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE OF SOLICITATION-** Paragraph (3) of such subsection is amended--

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking `furnish a notice to the Secretary of Commerce' and inserting `publish a notice of solicitation'; and

(2) in subparagraph (A), by striking `by the Secretary of Commerce'.

(c) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS ACT-** Subsection (e) of section 8 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637) is amended--

(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking `furnish for publication by the Secretary of Commerce' and inserting `publish';

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

`(2)(A) A notice of solicitation required to be published under paragraph (1) may be published--

`(i) by electronic means that meet the accessibility requirements under section 18(a)(7) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 416(a)(7)); or

`(ii) by the Secretary of Commerce in the Commerce Business Daily.

`(B) The Secretary of Commerce shall promptly publish in the Commerce Business Daily each notice or announcement received under this subsection for publication by that means.'; and

(3) in paragraph (3)--

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking `furnish a notice to the Secretary of Commerce' and inserting `publish a notice of solicitation'; and

(B) in subparagraph (A), by striking `by the Secretary of Commerce'.

(d) PERIODIC REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTRONIC COMMERCE IN FEDERAL PROCUREMENT- Section 30(e) of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 426(e)) is amended--

(1) in the first sentence, by striking `Not later than March 1, 1998, and every year afterward through 2003' and inserting `Not later than March 1 of each even-numbered year through 2004'; and

(2) in paragraph (4)--

(A) by striking `Beginning with the report submitted on March 1, 1999, an' and inserting `An'; and

(B) by striking `calendar year' and inserting `two fiscal years'.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY- The amendments made by this section shall take effect on October 1, 2000. The amendments made by subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall apply with respect to solicitations issued on or after that date.